

Attention FDA

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It came to my attention that the FDA is being asked to take away my right to sign a medical waiver before purchasing a hearing aid. Instead I would be forced to have a medical exam or hearing test. Here's my views and/or experiences on several related questions?

1. Should I be forced to have a medical exam and/or hearing test before purchasing a hearing aid? If so, should the FDA pay for the exam?

I don't need any more exams. The FDA should pay if they force me to have any more

2. Some people are physically unable to drive to a doctor or hearing specialist, or have had bad experiences they don't want to repeat. For instance ...

after the first exam any more of them is just a racket to put a few dollars in the doctors pocket

3. Should the FDA take away my Constitutional Right, affirmed by the Supreme Court, to decide for myself my medical exams and treatment?

No, I'm 82 years old and don't need someone telling what I can do

4. Should I be allowed to purchase hearing aids by mail as I choose?

I have had good results from hearing aids purchased through the mails. And they are more reasonably priced.

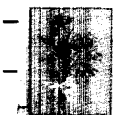
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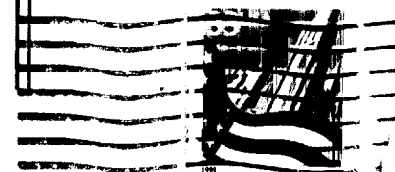
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